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EXAMINER: BRADLEY, C.

ART UNIT: 1654

Dear Sir:

This is a request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement mailed on 2nd April, 2008. Applicant hereby request the Commissioner a one (1) month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement thereby allowing Applicants until 2nd June, 2008 to respond.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to debit Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194 in the sum of \$120, being the fee for a (1) one-month extension of time to respond to the instant Communication.

If the Commissioner finds any additional charges or fees must be paid in connection with this communication, they may be paid out of Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194. Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 2nd, 2008

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed 2nd April, 2008, in the above-referenced application.

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one (1)-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Communication, dated 2^{nd} April, 2008, such extension allowing the undersigned until 2^{nd} June, 2008 to respond.

Claims 15-36 were originally filed. In the Requirement for Restriction, the Examiner requested Applicant to elect claims corresponding to one of the following inventions:

Group I	Claims 15-24	drawn to a method for making compounds of formula I.
Group II	Claim 25	drawn to compounds of formula II.
Group III	Claim 26	drawn to compounds of formula III.
Group IV	Claims 27-35	drawn to compounds of formula I.
Group V	Claim 36	drawn to a method of treating a patient.

In response to the Requirement for Restriction, Applicants provisionally elect Group IV (claims 27-35) with traverse.

In the Requirement for Restriction, the Examiner stated that the inventions of Groups I-V do not relate to a single inventive concept for the following reasons: Wilbur et al. teaches compounds of formula I and methods of making them involving compounds of formula II (Wilbur et al., *Bioconjugate Chem.* (1994) 5: 220-235) and therefore unity of invention is lacking a posteriori.

Applicants respectfully submit that Wilbur et al. teach none of the compounds of the invention and that the Examiner is in error in making a Requirement for Restriction.

Applicants submit that inspection of the compounds disclosed by Wilbur et al., (see Figure 2 of Wilbur et al.,) and of Formula I, II, and III, of the instant invention, clearly distinguishes the invention over the compounds disclosed by Wilbur et al. and that Formula I, II, and III are novel.

The Examiner is respectfully reminded that, upon allowance of the claims to the above products, the process for making and using same, i.e., the claims of Groups I, II, III, and V, must be rejoined. See the Commissioner's Notice in the Official Gazette of March 26, 1996, entitled "Guidance on Treatment of Product and Process Claims in light of In re Ochiai, In re Brouwer and 35 U.S.C. § 103(b)" which sets forth the rules, upon allowance of product claims, for rejoinder of process claims covering the same scope of products. Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement and examination of Groups I-V, claims 15-36.

The Examiner requested that an election of species of polymer be made. The Examiner stated that these polymer species are deemed to lack unity of invention because they are not so linked as to form a general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

Applicants provisionally elect the polymer of polyalkylene glycols with traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has erred in making the restriction, in that the species are representatives of a single genus (organic and biological polymers) well known to those of skill in the art for preparing conjugated biological molecules, and that examination would therefore not constitute a serious burden.

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Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement and examination of the genus of polymers.

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Respectfully submitted,

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